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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re the Application of:

SCHRECK et al.

Serial No.: 09/973,791

Filed: 10/09/2001

Atty. Docket No.: 3123-384

For: "METHOD AND APPARATUS
FOR PROVIDING A USER
SELECTABLE START-UP
CURRENT IN A DISK DRIVE"

Group Art Unit: 2837

Examiner: Smith, Tyrone W.

REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION
OF MARCH 31, 2004

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Dear Sir:

This is a reply to the Office Action dated March 31, 2004. Reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and remarks.

A request for a two-month extension of time accompanies this Reply. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the credit card identified on Form PTO-2038 in the amount of \$420.00 for the two-month extension fee.

Please note that the **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper. Please also note that the **Remarks** begin on page 11 of this paper.